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April 29, 2022

The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro Chair House Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

The Hon. Kay Granger Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth H.O.B. Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the below community project in fiscal year 2023 (FY23):

Name: Sandy Spring Museum Folklife Hub Expansion

Amount Requested: \$500,000 **Recipient:** Sandy Spring Museum

Recipient Address: 17901 Bentley Road, Sandy Spring, MD 20860

Purpose and Justification: This project will help fund the expansion of Sandy Spring Museum's Folklife Hub. Funding will allow Sandy Spring Museum to better serve county folk artists who are immigrants, people of color, and members of underserved communities. The Folklife Center at the Museum provides a range of customized services to foster the economic resilience of folk artists, including space for rehearsals, performances, classes and meetings; capacity-building support such as grant writing assistance, financial planning; and audio-visual technical assistance for live-streaming, virtual teaching, and the creation of promotional materials; and networking opportunities to build cross-cultural collaborations. Most frequently requested by folk artists is the use of physical space at the museum. Demand for space and other services exceeds the museum's current capacity.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

Jamie Raskin Member of Congress